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MEMORANDUM FOR : Project Director

SUBJECT : Future Needs for Contract Pilots

REFERENCE : Memo from Proj. Dir of Administration
(SAPC-14206, dated 26 March 1957)

1. Under the proposed three-pronged program, if adopted, we will have to retain civilian contract pilots for only one base, namely the one located on the East Coast. If the approach [REDACTED] is successful, [REDACTED] pilots will be used. Our [REDACTED] aircraft carrier concept, if approved, will best be served by using Navy jet pilots with carrier experience, hired under similar contractual means as were employed to get present Aquatone pilots.

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2. I believe that we can reclaim sufficient pilots from our three bases to fulfill our East Coast base. When final decision is reached on the carrier proposal, we will have to take expeditious action with Navy to get a nucleus of pilots under contract and initiate a training program for them which will no doubt be conducted during the winter and early spring months of 1957-58.

3. Before any definitive action is taken on the pilot requirement some policy decisions must be reached. Your guess is as good as mine as to when such guidance will have fruition.

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